STATE LABOR SUMMARY

November, 1979

NORTH CAROLINA

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Employment Developments: From October to November of 1979, North Carolina's total employment experienced a small decline of 6,100 persons (-0.2 percent). November's total employment was 2,568,500. Mixed trends were apparent in the three main employment categories. The "all other" nonagricultural employment segment exhibited a measurable loss of 3,400 workers (-1.3 percent) over the month. Agricultural employment continued to experience seasonal declines as its total fell by 19,500 employees (-22.1 percent) from October to November. The losses in those two categories were partially offset by a net monthly increase of 16,800 (+0.8 percent) in nonagricultural wage and salary employment (excluding dual jobholders).

Manufacturing employment (including dual jobholders) displayed a minor decrease of 1,000 workers (-0.1 percent) over the month. The durable goods segment showed subtle mixed trends with a net gain of 200 persons while the nondurable goods segment sustained an over-the-month drop of 1,200 employees. That was mainly due to a decline of 3,700 workers (-11.5 percent) in the tobacco industry as seasonal layoffs were felt in stemming operations. A general increase of 1,900 (+0.8 percent) in textiles partially offset those losses.

Nonmanufacturing employment exhibited a small gain of 4,800 people (+0.3 percent) from October to November of 1979. Trade employment enjoyed seasonal growth of 3,200 workers (+0.7 percent). Also, government employment experienced the addition of 3,500 persons (+0.8 percent), partly due to more substitute teachers and student workers being on the payrolls. Service and miscellaneous employment suffered a loss of 2,400 (-0.7 percent) as seasonal declines were noted in the segments of hotels, amusements, and miscellaneous businesses.

North Carolina's nonagricultural wage and salary employment by place of work has jumped by 60,200 (+2.6 percent) from November, 1978, to November, 1979. Nonmanufacturing employment was responsible for that surge with strong over-the-year growth evident in the following industries: construction, +10,200; transportation, +4,100; trade, +18,000; finance, +4,100; service, +17,700; and government, +7,000.

Manpower Resources: Total unemployment in the state was estimated to be 117,500 in November, 1979, a decline of 4,100 persons (-3.4 percent) over the month. North Carolina's unadjusted rate of unemployment continued to drop slightly, from 4.5 percent in October to 4.4 percent in November. However, in November, 1978, there were only 85,600 people out of work for a rate of 3.2 percent. The National unadjusted rates of unemployment were 5.6 percent in November and October, 1979, and 5.5 percent in Nov[illegible]9. The National seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment were 5.8 [illegible]r [illegible]s November, 6.0 percent in October, and 5.8 percent in November, 1978. [illegible]asonally adjusted unemployment data are not developed for the State.

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/

NOVEMBER, 1979

ITEM	NOVEMBER 2/ 1979	OCTOBER 3/ 1979	NOVEMBER 1978	CHANGE TO CURRENT MONTH FROM: OCTOBER, 1979 NET	OCTOBER, 1979 %	NOVEMBER, 1978 NET	NOVEMBER, 1978 %
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	2,686,000	2,696,200	2,667,900	- 10,200	- 0.4	+ 18,100	+ 0.7
EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL	2,568,500	2,574,600	2,582,300	- 6,100	- 0.2	- 13,800	- 0.5
AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	68,800	88,300	74,000	- 19,500	-22.1	- 5,200	- 7.0
NONAG. WAGE & SALARY EMPLOY. 4/	2,238,800	2,222,000	2,249,400	+ 16,800	+ 0.8	- 10,600	- 0.5
ALL OTHER NONAG. EMPLOY. 5/	260,900	264,300	258,900	- 3,400	- 1.3	+ 2,000	+ 0.8
UNEMPLOYMENT, TOTAL	117,500	121,600	85,600	- 4,100	- 3.4	+ 31,900	+ 37.3
STATE UNADJUSTED RATE	4.4	4.5	3.2	- 0.1	XXX	+ 1.2	XXX
NATIONAL RATE (UNADJUSTED)	5.6	5.6	5.5	0	XXX	+ 0.1	XXX
(SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)	5.8	6.0	5.8	- 0.2	XXX	0	XXX

1/ ALL DATA REVISED TO REFLECT 1978 BENCHMARK REVISIONS.
2/ PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES.
3/ REVISED ESTIMATES.
4/ ADJUSTED TO EXCLUDE DUAL JOBHOLDERS AND THE EFFECTS OF WORKER COMMUTING.
5/ INCLUDES SELF-EMPLOYED WORKERS, UNPAID FAMILY WORKERS, AND DOMESTIC WORKERS IN PRIVATE HOUSEHOLDS.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED: There were 30,285 people filing claims for unemployment insurance benefits in North Carolina during the mid-week of November, 1979. The total has declined by 929 (-3.0 percent) since the middle of October. The twenty-five to thirty-four year olds were once again the largest claimant group by age with 9,925 or 32.8 percent of the total. After that group came the thirty-five to forty-four year olds who numbered 6,350 or 21.0 percent. The sixty-five and over category had the fewest number of claimants with just 244 or 0.8 percent of the total. Most of the claimants were female (16,075 or 53.1 percent).

By duration of unemployment, persons filing unemployment insurance claims for one to two weeks made up the largest segment, totalling 8,992 or 29.7 percent. The fifteen weeks and over section followed with 7,105 or 23.5 percent of the total. The occupation with the largest claimant representation in November was clerical and sales which had 5,062 or 16.7 percent. Bench work occupations were next with 4,463 or 14.7 percent. Those persons who had last held manufacturing jobs comprised the largest number of claimants (14,476 or 47.8 percent). More data on the insured unemployed in North Carolina during November, 1979, are given in the next table.

NORTH CAROLINA
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED

Mid-November, 1979

	Number	Percent
Total	30,285	100.0
Age		
Under 25	5,839	19.2
25-34	9,925	32.8
35-44	6,350	21.0
45-54	4,863	16.1
55-64	3,064	10.1
65 and over	244	0.8
Sex		
Male	14,210	46.9
Female	16,075	53.1
Ethnic Group		
White	19,894	65.7
Nonwhite	10,391	34.3
Unemployment Duration		
1-2 Weeks	8,992	29.7
3-4 Weeks	3,686	12.2
5-9 Weeks	6,283	20.7
10-14 Weeks	4,219	13.9
15 and Over	7,105	23.5
Occupation		
Prof., Tech., and Mgr.	3,619	11.9
Clerical and Sales	5,062	16.7
Service	2,509	8.3
Farm., Fish., and Forest.	400	1.3
Processing	2,220	7.3
Machine Trades	3,797	12.5
Bench Work	4,463	14.7
Structural Work	4,196	13.9
Miscellaneous	4,019	13.4
Industry Attachment		
Mining	22	0.1
Construction	4,774	15.8
Manufacturing	14,476	47.8
Public Utilities	733	2.4
Trade	3,974	13.1
Finance	289	1.0
Service	2,909	9.6
All Other	3,108	10.2

Available Applicants: As of the end of November, 19/9, there were 175,684 active job applicants registered for work with the local Job Service offices across the State. The total number increased by 2,546 (+1.5 percent) since the end of October. The under twenty-five age group was the largest applicant group at the end of November with 62,401 or 35.5 percent of the total. The second largest applicant group fell between the ages of thirty and thirty-nine with 40,100 or 22.8 percent. The sixty-five and over segment accounted for 1,072 or 0.6 percent. Most of the active applicants were female (93,490 or 53.2 percent). Whites, who numbered 93,954, made up 53.5 percent of the total. More than 16,000 of the active applicants were either working full or part time when they registered with the Employment Security Commission. The following table provides additional information from the November 30 statewide active applicant file.

STATEWIDE ACTIVE APPLICANT FILE

November 30, 1979

	Number	Percent
Total	175,684	100.0
Age		
Under 25	62,401	35.5
25-29	33,341	19.0
30-39	40,100	22.8
40-44	11,680	6.7
45-54	17,909	10.2
55-64	9,181	5.2
65 and Over	1,072	0.6
Sex		
Male	82,194	46.8
Female	93,490	53.2
Ethnic Group		
White (not Hispanic)	93,954	53.5
Black (not Hispanic)	76,838	43.8
Hispanic	1,113	0.6
American Indian & Alaskan Native	2,350	1.3
Other Races and Undetermined	1,429	0.8
Eligible Claimant	59,757	34.0
Veteran	30,108	17.1
Handicapped	19,499	11.1
Economically Disadvantaged	55,907	31.8
Employment Status		
Full Time	10,744	6.1
Part Time	5,410	3.1
Not Working	159,530	90.8

Hours and Earnings: The average hourly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers was $5.07 in November, 1979. This represented a monthly increase of 5¢ an hour (+1.0 percent) and a good yearly gain of 46¢ and hour (+10.0 percent). The durable goods segment, with hourly earnings of $5.18 in November, enjoyed an over-the-month rise of 6¢ an hour (+1.2 percent) and an over-the-year climb of 48¢ an hour (+10.2 percent). The durable goods industry which experienced the largest net monthly increase was lumber and wood, which rose by 11¢ to reach $4.59. Electrical machinery was a very close second with a net monthly jump of 10¢ to arrive at $5.64 in November, 1979. The nondurable goods segment exhibited a modest monthly gain of 4¢ an hour (+0.8 percent) for a November level of $5.01 as well as a yearly increase of 45¢ (+9.9 percent). The tobacco industry enjoyed a net monthly gain of 83¢ an hour (+12.6 percent) to lead the way in the nondurable goods industries. Hourly earnings of production workers in the tobacco industry stood at $7.43 in November. Paper and allied products was a distant second with a net monthly increase of 5¢ an hour (+0.6 percent) for a November, 1979, figure of $7.89. The average weekly earnings of the state's manufacturing production workers was $204.83 in November, an over-the-month gain of $4.03 (+2.0 percent) and an over-the-year increase of $19.05 (+10.3 percent). Average weekly hours also displayed a positive trend, adding 0.4 hours over the month for a November average of 40.4, which was 0.1 hours above November, 1978.

Consumer Price Index: The U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics announced that the consumer price index (cost of living) for all urban consumers rose to 227.5 in November, 1979. There has been a monthly gain of 0.9 percent and a yearly increase of 12.6 percent. All of the main categories in the index experienced over-the-month surges. Housing was once again in the lead with a 1.3 percent advance. The cost of transportation was next with a monthly jump of 1.0 percent. Medical care was a very close third, exhibiting a rise of 0.9 percent. The purchasing power of the consumer dollar, using 1967 as a base of $1.00, was 44.0¢ in November, 1979.

Labor Turnover: North Carolina labor turnover rates for the month of October in manufacturing industries reflected a slight employment gain of 0.2 per hundred. Both the durable and nondurable goods groups reported diminutive increases. Impressive worker gains developed in fabricated metals, nonelectrical machinery and miscellaneous manufacturing. Lesser increases were also noted in furniture, primary metals, and electrical machinery. Employee losses occurred in lumber as layoffs rose significantly. The volume of turnover in transportation equipment dropped considerably during the month causing a decrease of 1.2 workers per hundred. The durable goods sector as a whole registered a net worker gain of 0.1 per hundred. Trends varied among the nondurable industry group as a net worker gain of 0.2 per hundred was realized. Food (+0.6), textiles (+0.7), apparel (+0.8), and leather (+0.6 per hundred) reported gains. Losses were registered in tobacco, paper, printing, chemicals, and rubber. The processing portion of the tobacco industry was responsible for the worker loss in that industry as seasonal operations have tapered off considerably.

The flow of workers into the mining industry was lower in October than in September and resulted in a loss of 0.1 per hundred workers. Layoffs and recalls remained stable from the previous month.

Employment and Unemployment Outlook: During December of 1979 and January of 1980, it is anticipated that the statewide total employment will probably decrease a little. Even though there should be a noticeable increase in trade employment due to the holiday selling season, that will probably be more than offset by the expected seasonal decline in agriculture, which should drop by almost 16,000 employees from November, 1979, to January, 1980. North Carolina's total unemployment is expected to increase somewhat during the next two months resulting in a probable rate increase. Hopefully, the rate will stay below 5.0 percent during this period.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

November, 1979

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	November 1979 (Thous.)	October 1979 (Thous.)	November 1978 (Thous.)	October 1979	November 1978
TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES	2,375.5	2,371.7	2,315.3	+ 0.2	+ 2.6
MANUFACTURING	814.1	815.1	814.8	- 0.1	- 0.09
DURABLE GOODS	292.4	292.2	287.9	+ 0.1	+ 1.6
Lumber & Wood Prods., Exc. Furn.	34.8	35.1	35.4	- 0.9	- 1.7
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.6	13.6	13.6	-0-	-0-
Millwork, Plywood, etc.	8.6	8.7	8.9	- 1.1	- 3.4
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.3	3.5	3.4	- 5.7	- 2.9
Furniture & Fixtures	83.2	82.6	83.1	+ 0.7	+ 0.1
Household Furniture	76.0	75.5	75.8	+ 0.7	+ 0.3
Wood HH Furn., Exc. Upholstered	43.8	43.4	43.2	+ 0.9	+ 1.4
Wood HH Furn., Upholstered	28.2	28.1	28.6	+ 0.4	- 1.4
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Concrete Prods.	18.4	18.7	18.5	- 1.6	- 0.5
Structural Clay Products	2.5	2.6	2.8	- 3.8	- 10.7
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prods.	5.0	5.0	5.0	-0-	-0-
Primary Metal Products	7.8	7.8	7.6	-0-	+ 2.6
Fabricated Metal Products	26.5	26.3	26.0	+ 0.8	+ 1.9
Fab. Structural Metals	11.4	11.3	10.8	+ 0.9	+ 5.6
Machinery, Except Electrical	40.7	40.5	38.3	+ 0.5	+ 6.3
Special Industrial Machinery	8.3	8.2	8.0	+ 1.2	+ 3.8
Electrical Machinery	51.8	51.8	49.5	-0-	+ 4.6
Household Appliances	7.5	7.4	7.1	+ 1.4	+ 5.6
Transportation Equipment	13.4	13.5	13.5	- 0.7	- 0.7
Other Durable Goods 2/	15.8	15.9	16.0	- 0.6	- 1.3
NONDURABLE GOODS	521.7	522.9	526.9	- 0.2	- 1.0
Food & Kindred Products	43.7	43.9	43.0	- 0.5	+ 1.6
Meat Products	14.8	14.9	14.1	- 0.7	+ 5.0
Meat Packing Plants	3.0	3.0	2.8	-0-	+ 7.1
Dairy Products	4.0	4.0	3.9	-0-	+ 2.6
Grain Mill Products	2.9	2.9	2.8	-0-	+ 3.6
Bakery Products	8.9	9.0	8.9	- 1.1	-0-
Beverages	6.9	7.0	6.7	- 1.4	+ 3.0
Tobacco Manufactures	28.4	32.1	32.6	- 11.5	- 12.9
Cigarettes	20.0	20.4	19.9	- 2.0	+ 0.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	7.8	11.1	12.0	- 29.7	- 35.0
Textile Mill Products	251.0	249.1	252.5	+ 0.8	- 0.6
Broad Woven Fabric Mills	80.0	79.5	79.8	+ 0.6	+ 0.3
Broad Woven, Cotton	40.5	40.2	38.9	+ 0.7	+ 4.1
Broad Woven, Man-Made Fiber & Silk	39.3	39.0	40.6	+ 0.8	- 3.2
Knitting Mills	80.1	79.4	80.4	+ 0.9	- 0.3
Women's Full & Knee Length Hos.	19.1	18.9	18.4	+ 1.1	+ 3.8
Hos., Exc Women's Full & Knee Length	24.4	24.2	24.9	+ 0.8	- 2.0
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	17.4	17.4	17.9	-0-	- 2.8
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	7.3	7.3	7.6	-0-	- 3.9
Dyeing & Finishing Textiles	17.7	17.5	17.7	+ 1.1	-0-
Yarn & Thread Mills	59.4	58.9	60.7	+ 0.8	- 2.1

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ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

November, 1979

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	November 1979 (Thous.)	October 1979 (Thous.)	November 1978 (Thous.)	October 1979	November 1978
Apparel & Other Finished Prods.	89.7	89.3	90.9	+ 0.4	- 1.3
Men's, Youths', & Boys' Clothing	27.1	27.2	27.6	- 0.4	- 1.8
Women's,Misses', & Children's Clothing	43.7	43.4	44.2	+ 0.7	- 1.1
Paper & Allied Products	20.8	20.8	21.3	-0-	- 2.3
Pulp & Paperboard Mills	11.7	11.7	11.8	-0-	- 0.8
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.8	5.8	6.0	-0-	- 3.3
Printing, Publishing, & Allied Ind.	20.4	20.1	19.6	+ 1.5	+ 4.1
Newspapers	8.1	8.0	7.9	+ 1.3	+ 2.5
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.9	37.9	37.1	-0-	+ 2.2
Plastics & Synthetic Materials	19.2	19.3	19.5	- 0.5	- 1.5
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	25.1	25.0	25.4	+ 0.4	- 1.2
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.7	4.7	4.5	-0-	+ 4.4
NONMANUFACTURING	1,561.4	1,556.6	1,500.5	+ 0.3	+ 4.1
MINING	4.7	4.8	4.9	- 2.1	- 4.1
CONSTRUCTION	125.7	125.5	115.5	+ 0.2	+ 8.8
TRANS., COMM., & PUB. UTILITIES	113.9	114.1	109.8	- 0.2	+ 3.7
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	57.7	58.0	54.4	- 0.5	+ 6.1
Communications & Public Utilities	49.2	49.0	48.5	+ 0.4	+ 1.4
TRADE	473.5	470.3	455.5	+ 0.7	+ 4.0
Wholesale Trade	120.9	122.4	116.0	- 1.2	+ 4.2
Durable Goods	68.0	67.9	65.4	+ 0.1	+ 4.0
Nondurable Goods	52.9	54.5	50.6	- 2.9	+ 4.5
Retail Trade	352.6	347.9	339.5	+ 1.4	+ 3.9
General Merchandise Stores	59.8	56.8	58.8	+ 5.3	+ 1.7
Variety Stores	14.3	13.8	14.5	+ 3.6	- 1.4
Food Stores	55.0	54.5	52.6	+ 0.9	+ 4.6
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	89.9	89.3	85.8	+ 0.7	+ 4.8
SERVICES	334.5	336.9	316.8	- 0.7	+ 5.6
Hotel & Rooming Houses	17.3	18.6	16.9	- 7.0	+ 2.4
Personal Services	23.5	23.6	23.5	- 0.4	-0-
Laundries & Dry Cleaners	10.5	10.5	10.6	-0-	- 0.9
GOVERNMENT	419.2	415.7	412.2	+ 0.8	+ 1.7
Federal	46.8	46.8	46.7	-0-	+ 0.2
State	135.8	133.9	132.0	+ 1.4	+ 2.9
Education	72.2	69.5	70.5	+ 3.9	+ 2.4
Other	63.6	64.4	61.5	- 1.2	+ 3.4
Local	236.6	235.0	233.5	+ 0.7	+ 1.3
Education	135.2	134.8	132.0	+ 0.3	+ 2.4
Other	101.4	100.2	101.5	+ 1.2	- 0.1

1/ Current data are preliminary.
2/ Includes instruments and miscellaneous manufacturing.
3/ Includes petroleum and leather products.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

November, 1979
(Seasonally Adjusted)

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	November 1979 (thous)	October 1979 (thous)	November 1978 (thous)	October 1979	November 1978
TOTAL, ALL INDUSTRIES	2,354.9	2,348.8	2,294.5	+ 0.3	+ 2.6
MANUFACTURING	809.3	807.7	809.4	+ 0.2	*
DURABLE GOODS	291.3	290.7	286.8	+ 0.2	+ 1.6
Lumber & Wood Prods., Exc. Furn.	34.9	34.9	35.5	0	- 1.7
Sawmills & Planing Mills	13.7	13.6	13.6	+ 0.7	+ 0.7
Millwork, Plywood, etc.	8.6	8.7	8.9	- 1.1	- 3.4
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.4	3.4	3.5	0	- 2.9
Furniture & Fixtures	82.4	82.3	82.3	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
Household Furniture	75.4	75.1	75.2	+ 0.4	+ 0.3
Wood HH Furn., Exc. Upholstered	43.5	43.3	42.8	+ 0.5	+ 1.6
Wood HH Furn., Upholstered	27.8	27.7	28.2	+ 0.4	- 1.4
Stone, Clay, Glass, & Concrete Prods.	18.3	18.5	18.4	- 1.1	- 0.5
Structural Clay Products	2.5	2.5	2.8	0	-10.7
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prods.	5.0	4.9	5.0	+ 2.0	0
Primary Metal Products	7.9	7.8	7.7	+ 1.3	+ 2.6
Fabricated Metal Products	26.6	26.3	26.1	+ 3.8	+ 1.9
Fab. Structural Metals	11.3	11.3	10.7	0	+ 5.6
Machinery, Except Electrical	40.8	40.7	38.4	+ 0.2	+ 6.2
Special Industrial Machinery	8.3	8.2	8.0	+ 1.2	+ 3.8
Electrical Machinery	51.1	50.8	48.8	+ 0.6	+ 4.7
Household Appliances	7.0	6.8	6.6	+ 2.9	+ 6.1
Transportation Equipment	13.6	13.5	13.7	+ 0.7	- 0.7
Other Durable Goods 2/	15.7	15.9	15.9	- 1.3	- 1.3
NONDURABLE GOODS	518.0	517.0	522.6	+ 0.2	- 0.9
Food & Kindred Products	43.8	43.5	43.1	+ 0.7	+ 1.6
Meat Products	14.8	14.8	14.1	0	+ 5.0
Meat Packing Plants	3.0	3.0	2.8	0	+ 7.1
Dairy Products	4.1	4.0	4.0	+ 2.5	+ 2.5
Grain Mill Products	2.9	2.9	2.8	0	+ 3.6
Bakery Products	8.9	9.0	8.9	- 1.1	0
Beverages	7.1	7.1	6.9	0	+ 2.9
Tobacco Manufactures	24.9	26.9	28.6	- 7.4	-12.9
Cigarettes	20.1	20.5	20.0	- 2.0	+ 0.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	5.2	6.4	8.0	-18.8	-35.0
Textile Mill Products	251.8	250.1	253.3	+ 0.7	- 0.6
Broad Woven Fabric Mills	79.9	79.9	79.7	0	+ 0.3
Broad Woven, Cotton	40.5	40.3	38.9	+ 0.5	+ 4.1
Broad Woven, Man-Made Fiber & Silk	39.3	39.0	40.6	+ 0.8	- 3.2
Knitting Mills	80.3	79.3	80.6	+ 1.3	- 0.4
Women's Full & Knee Length Hos.	19.0	18.8	18.3	+ 1.1	+ 3.8
Hos., Exc. Women's Full & Knee Length	24.3	24.2	24.8	+ 0.4	- 2.0
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	17.5	17.3	18.0	+ 1.2	- 2.8
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	7.4	7.4	7.7	0	- 3.9
Dyeing & Finishing Textiles	18.0	17.7	17.9	+ 1.7	+ 0.6
Yarn & Thread Mills	59.8	59.0	61.1	+ 1.4	- 2.1

*Less than 0.05 percent.

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ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

November, 1979
(Seasonally Adjusted)

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	November 1979 (thous)	October 1979 (thous)	November 1978 (thous)	October 1979	November 1978
Apparel & Other Finished Prods.	89.4	88.8	90.5	+ 0.7	- 1.2
Men's, Youths', & Boys' Clothing	27.0	26.8	27.5	+ 0.7	- 1.8
Women's,Misses', & Children's Clothing	43.7	43.5	44.2	+ 0.5	- 1.1,
Paper & Allied Products	20.6	20.7	21.1	- 0.5	- 2.4.
Pulp & Paperboard Mills	11.7	11.7	11.8	0	- 0.8.
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.7	5.7	5.9	0	- 3.4.
Printing, Publishing, & Allied Ind.	20.3	20.1	19.5	+ 1.0	+ 4.1
Newspapers	8.1	8.0	7.9	+ 1.2	+ 2.5
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.6	37.5	36.8	+ 0.3	+ 2.2
Plastics & Synthetic Materials	18.8	19.0	19.1	- 1.1	- 1.6
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.9	24.7	25.2	+ 0.8	- 1.2
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.7	4.7	4.5	0	+ 4.4
NONMANUFACTURING	1,545.6	1,541.1	1,485.1	+ 0.3	+ 4.1
MINING	4.7	4.8	4.9	- 2.1	- 4.1
CONSTRUCTION	124.2	123.0	114.1	+ 1.0	+ 8.9
TRANS., COMM., & PUB. UTILITIES	114.1	114.3	110.0	- 0.2	+ 3.7
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	57.6	57.6	54.3	0	+ 6.1
Communications & Public Utilities	49.3	49.1	48.6	+ 0.4	+ 1.4
TRADE	467.6	466.0	449.7	+ 0.3	+ 4.0
Wholesale Trade	120.2	119.8	115.2	+ 0.3	+ 4.3
Durable Goods	68.3	68.1	65.6	+ 0.3	+ 4.1
Nondurable Goods	51.9	51.7	49.6	+ 0.4	+ 4.6
Retail Trade	347.4	346.2	334.5	+ 0.3	+ 3.9
General Merchandise Stores	56.6	56.3	55.6	+ 0.5	+ 1.8
Variety Stores	13.4	13.5	13.5	- 0.7	- 0.7
Food Stores	54.4	54.1	52.0	+ 0.6	+ 4.6
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	90.5	89.5	86.4	+ 1.1	+ 4.7
SERVICES	336.9	336.2	319.2	+ 0.2	+ 5.5
Hotel & Rooming Houses	18.2	18.3	17.8	- 0.5	+ 2.2
Personal Services	23.6	23.7	23.6	- 0.4	0
Laundries & Dry Cleaners	10.5	10.5	10.6	0	- 0.9
GOVERNMENT	407.6	407.3	400.8	+ 0.1	+ 1.7
Federal	46.8	46.9	46.7	- 0.2	+ 0.2
State	131.4	131.6	127.7	- 0.2	+ 2.9
Education	67.5	67.1	65.9	+ 0.6	+ 2.4
Other	63.9	64.5	61.8	- 0.9	+ 3.4
Local	229.4	228.8	226.4	+ 0.3	+ 1.3
Education	127.7	127.7	124.6	0	+ 2.5
Other	101.7	101.1	101.8	+ 0.6	- 0.1

1/ Current data are preliminary.
2/ Includes instruments and miscellaneous manufacturing.
3/ Includes petroleum and leather products.

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS
OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES
AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

NOVEMBER, 1979

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Nov. 1979	Oct. 1979	Nov. 1978	Nov. 1979	Oct. 1979	Nov. 1978	Nov. 1979	Oct. 1979	Nov. 1978
MANUFACTURING	$204.83	$200.80	$185.78	40.4	40.0	40.3	$ 5.07	$ 5.02	$ 4.61
DURABLE GOODS	212.38	205.82	192.70	41.0	40.2	41.0	5.18	5.12	4.70
LUMBER & WOOD PRODS., EX. FURN.	185.44	182.78	166.87	40.4	40.8	41.0	4.59	4.48	4.07
MILLWORK, PLYWOOD, ETC.	180.46	177.89	165.61	41.2	40.8	41.3	4.38	4.36	4.01
WOOD BLDGS. & MOBILE HOMES	211.69	228.93	197.84	35.4	39.2	37.9	5.98	5.84	5.22
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	185.18	184.24	172.37	39.4	39.2	39.9	4.70	4.70	4.32
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE	185.65	184.24	172.80	39.5	39.2	40.0	4.70	4.70	4.32
WOOD HH FURNITURE, EX. UPH.	182.25	182.25	171.81	40.5	40.5	41.5	4.50	4.50	4.14
STONE, CLAY, AND GLASS	228.94	220.99	219.02	41.4	40.4	42.2	5.53	5.47	5.19
STRUCTURAL CLAY PRODUCTS	194.74	192.98	183.92	41.7	41.5	41.8	4.67	4.65	4.40
PRIMARY METAL PRODUCTS	248.98	243.78	230.26	42.2	41.6	42.8	5.90	5.86	5.38
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	242.69	230.75	220.48	41.7	40.2	41.6	5.82	5.74	5.30
MACHINERY, NONELECTRICAL	244.47	233.24	223.78	43.5	41.8	43.2	5.62	5.58	5.18
SPECIAL INDUSTRIAL MACHINERY	231.49	225.68	208.18	40.9	40.3	40.9	5.66	5.60	5.09
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	239.70	225.48	201.29	42.5	40.7	40.5	5.64	5.54	4.97
HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES	214.05	197.24	173.75	44.5	41.7	40.5	4.81	4.73	4.29
TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT	221.65	222.77	205.34	40.3	40.8	41.4	5.50	5.46	4.96
NONDURABLE GOODS	200.40	197.81	182.40	40.0	39.8	40.0	5.01	4.97	4.56
FOOD & KINDRED PRODUCTS	178.41	184.80	169.46	38.7	40.0	39.5	4.61	4.62	4.29
MEAT PRODUCTS	163.73	173.45	154.63	37.9	39.6	37.9	4.32	4.38	4.08
MEAT PACKING	228.78	252.15	240.01	41.0	43.7	44.2	5.58	5.77	5.43
DAIRY PRODUCTS	190.49	188.61	178.92	41.5	42.1	42.0	4.59	4.48	4.26
GRAIN MILL PRODUCTS	200.40	211.65	199.09	40.0	41.5	43.0	5.01	5.10	4.63
BAKERY PRODUCTS	187.75	190.12	183.15	37.4	38.8	40.7	5.02	4.90	4.50
BEVERAGE	214.62	217.98	205.31	42.0	42.0	41.9	5.11	5.19	4.90
TOBACCO MANUFACTURING	283.83	258.72	227.15	38.2	39.2	38.5	7.43	6.60	5.90
CIGARETTES	339.60	313.69	275.25	40.0	37.3	36.7	8.49	8.41	7.50
TOBACCO STEMMING & REDRYING	124.97	154.08	143.52	32.8	42.8	41.6	3.81	3.60	3.45
TEXTILE MILL PRODUCTS	195.16	191.57	177.39	41.0	40.5	40.5	4.76	4.73	4.38
BROAD WOVEN FABRICS	213.41	207.26	199.44	41.6	40.8	41.9	5.13	5.08	4.76
BROAD WOVEN, COTTON	214.14	206.55	200.10	41.5	40.5	41.6	5.16	5.10	4.81
BROAD WOVEN, MAN-MADE FIBER & SILK	212.67	208.88	198.29	41.7	41.2	42.1	5.10	5.07	4.71
KNITTING MILLS	176.62	176.27	161.52	39.6	39.7	39.3	4.46	4.44	4.11
WOMEN'S FULL & KNEE LGTH HOS.	166.18	163.66	156.42	39.1	38.6	39.7	4.25	4.24	3.94
HOSIERY, EX. WOMEN'S FULL & KNEE LG.	161.08	160.74	145.41	37.9	38.0	37.0	4.25	4.23	3.93
CIRCULAR KNIT FABRIC MILLS	202.03	200.58	185.40	41.4	41.7	41.2	4.88	4.81	4.50
WARP KNIT FABRIC MILLS	212.85	222.26	203.85	43.0	44.9	45.1	4.95	4.95	4.52
DYEING & FINISHING TEXTILES	214.57	207.90	190.07	43.0	42.0	41.5	4.99	4.95	4.58
YARN & THREAD MILLS	190.07	186.91	167.22	41.5	40.9	40.1	4.58	4.57	4.17
APPAREL & OTHER FINISHED PRODUCTS	142.84	141.71	130.96	37.1	37.0	37.1	3.85	3.83	3.53
MEN'S & BOYS' CLOTHING	138.96	137.90	129.23	36.0	36.1	36.3	3.86	3.82	3.56
WOMEN'S & CHILDREN'S GARMENTS	136.53	136.90	123.03	36.8	36.8	36.4	3.71	3.72	3.38
PAPER & ALLIED PRODUCTS	358.21	341.82	309.47	45.4	43.6	44.4	7.89	7.84	6.97
PULP & PAPERBOARD MILLS	437.76	406.29	380.02	48.0	44.5	46.4	9.12	9.13	8.19
PAPERBOARD CONTAINERS & BOXES	248.68	242.52	232.66	43.4	43.0	44.4	5.73	5.64	5.24
PRINTING, PUBLISHING, & ALLIED IND.	217.40	210.76	200.88	39.6	38.6	40.5	5.49	5.46	4.96
NEWSPAPERS	213.71	208.85	206.46	35.5	35.1	37.0	6.02	5.95	5.58
CHEMICALS & ALLIED PRODUCTS	253.53	248.29	236.24	40.5	39.6	41.3	6.26	6.27	5.72
PLASTICS & SYNTHETIC MATERIALS	277.16	275.67	256.05	41.0	40.6	41.1	6.76	6.79	6.23
RUBBER & MISC. PLASTICS PRODS.	223.11	239.29	226.53	40.2	41.4	42.5	5.55	5.78	5.33
MINING	253.99	253.11	231.69	45.6	46.7	46.9	5.57	5.42	4.94
COMMUNICATIONS & PUBLIC UTILITIES	299.25	295.37	271.58	39.9	39.7	40.9	7.50	7.44	6.64
TRADE	174.60	174.48	160.38	36.0	36.2	35.8	4.85	4.82	4.48
WHOLESALE	220.73	216.37	200.38	39.7	39.7	39.6	5.56	5.45	5.06
RETAIL	153.66	155.01	142.54	34.3	34.6	34.1	4.48	4.48	4.18
GENERAL MERCHANDISE STORES	113.39	115.34	103.60	29.0	29.2	29.1	3.91	3.95	3.56
VARIETY STORES	91.87	89.68	83.22	28.8	28.2	29.2	3.19	3.18	2.85
FOOD STORES	167.50	165.00	160.13	33.3	33.2	33.5	5.03	4.97	4.78
SERVICES, HOTELS & ROOMING HOUSES	104.43	108.42	92.90	29.5	30.8	29.4	3.54	3.52	3.16
SERVICES, LAUNDRIES & DRY CLEANING	136.76	137.14	122.48	35.8	35.9	35.4	3.82	3.82	3.46

1/ CURRENT DATA ARE PRELIMINARY

LABOR TURNOVER RATES PER 100 EMPLOYEES IN NORTH CAROLINA MANUFACTURING AND MINING INDUSTRIES

October, 1979

INDUSTRY	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES					
	TOTAL		NEW HIRES		RECALLS		TOTAL		QUITS		LAYOFFS	
	10/79	9/79	10/79	9/79	10/79	9/79	10/79	9/79	10/79	9/79	10/79	9/79
TOTAL MINING	2.3	3.2	2.1	2.9	*	*	2.4	3.1	1.9	2.6	*	**
TOTAL MANUFACTURING	4.7	4.9	4.0	4.1	.4	.4	4.5	4.6	3.0	3.3	.5	.3
DURABLE GOODS	4.1	4.5	3.7	4.1	.2	.2	4.0	4.3	2.7	3.0	.4	.3
LUMBER	5.6	6.6	5.2	6.1	.2	.3	6.1	6.7	4.2	5.6	.8	.1
FURNITURE AND FIXTURES	5.0	5.3	4.6	4.9	.2	.2	4.8	4.4	3.5	3.5	.2	*
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE	5.1	5.3	4.7	4.9	.2	.2	4.9	4.4	3.5	3.5	.2	*
STONE, CLAY, AND GLASS PRODUCTS	2.9	4.1	2.6	3.8	.2	.1	3.6	5.3	2.7	3.7	*	.7
STRUCTURAL CLAY PRODUCTS	5.5	5.1	5.3	5.0	*	*	5.8	7.1	4.3	5.2	*	.3
PRIMARY METAL PRODUCTS	3.7	4.3	3.5	4.0	*	.1	3.4	2.9	2.2	1.8	.2	.1
FABRICATED METAL PRODUCTS	5.5	6.0	5.2	5.7	.2	.2	4.6	5.0	3.5	3.7	*	.1
FABRICATED STRUCTURAL METALS	4.0	4.1	3.8	3.9	.2	.1	2.8	2.7	2.4	2.3	*	*
MACHINERY, EXCEPT ELECTRICAL	3.3	3.7	2.9	3.4	.4	.2	2.5	3.5	1.4	1.4	.5	.3
SPEC. IND. MACH., EXC. METAL WORKING	3.2	3.6	3.0	3.5	.1	*	2.7	3.1	1.3	2.1	.8	.2
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	2.6	2.5	1.9	1.9	.3	.3	2.5	2.5	1.1	1.3	.8	.6
TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT	1.9	5.9	1.8	5.7	*	*	3.1	9.3	1.9	5.8	.5	1.2
MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURING	9.3	7.4	8.5	6.5	.5	.5	8.2	7.9	5.8	5.1	.9	1.7
NONDURABLE GOODS	5.0	5.0	4.2	4.1	.5	.5	4.8	4.8	3.2	3.5	.6	.3
FOOD AND KINDRED PRODUCTS	5.5	6.2	4.9	5.6	.4	.3	4.9	6.0	3.7	4.6	.2	.3
GRAIN MILL PRODUCTS	5.3	5.4	5.0	5.2	.1	.2	4.7	4.6	3.3	4.4	.4	*
BAKERY PRODUCTS	3.0	4.3	2.8	4.1	.1	.1	3.3	3.9	2.0	2.7	.2	.2
TOBACCO MANUFACTURING	3.3	7.8	2.5	3.7	.3	2.2	6.1	3.7	1.9	2.6	3.5	.4
CIGARETTES	.3	.9	.2	.7	*	*	2.5	1.9	.1	1.7	2.2	*
TEXTILE MILL PRODUCTS	5.8	5.3	4.7	4.4	.7	.5	5.1	5.2	3.5	3.7	.3	.4
BROAD WOVEN FABRICS—COTTON	3.7	3.6	3.0	3.1	.2	.2	3.3	3.2	1.9	2.1	.1	.1
BROAD WOVEN FABRICS—MAN-MADE FIBERS AND SILK	4.5	4.5	3.2	3.3	.7	.7	4.0	4.1	2.7	2.8	.1	.2
KNITTING MILLS	6.9	5.7	5.9	5.0	.8	.5	5.6	5.6	4.0	4.2	.6	.5
HOSIERY, WOMEN'S FULL AND KNEE LENGTH	7.3	6.6	6.7	6.1	.4	.4	5.3	6.4	4.2	5.4	.2	.2
HOSIERY, EXC. WOMEN'S FULL AND KNEE LENGTH	6.9	4.9	6.7	4.6	.2	.2	5.7	5.3	4.6	4.6	.3	.1
OTHER KNITTING	6.5	5.8	4.9	4.8	1.3	.7	5.5	5.4	3.4	3.4	1.1	1.0
DYEING AND FINISHING TEXTILES	3.9	4.7	3.2	3.8	.4	.6	3.5	4.9	2.3	2.8	.2	1.2
YARN AND THREAD MILLS	7.8	7.0	6.3	5.8	.9	.6	7.1	7.1	5.4	5.4	*	.1
OTHER TEXTILE PRODUCTS	3.5	3.5	1.7	2.3	.9	.6	3.3	3.2	1.7	1.9	.3	.5
APPAREL	6.6	5.6	5.8	4.9	.5	.4	5.8	5.6	4.8	4.6	.3	.2
MEN'S AND BOYS' FURNISHINGS	5.7	5.1	4.9	4.1	.6	.7	4.9	4.6	4.4	4.0	*	.1
WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S GARMENTS	6.8	5.3	5.8	4.7	.6	.3	5.4	5.4	4.6	4.4	.2	.2
PAPER AND ALLIED PRODUCTS	1.6	2.1	1.3	1.5	.1	.2	2.0	2.1	1.1	1.2	.3	*
PULP, PAPER, AND PAPERBOARD	.9	1.3	.7	.6	*	*	.9	1.8	.4	.5	.1	*
PAPERBOARD CONTAINERS AND BOXES	3.0	10.6	2.7	8.7	.2	1.6	5.2	8.2	3.1	6.7	.9	.3
PRINTING, PUBLISHING AND ALLIED	2.9	4.5	2.6	4.0	.2	.2	3.1	3.7	2.4	2.7	.1	.5
NEWSPAPERS	3.2	4.6	3.1	4.3	.1	.1	2.7	3.2	2.1	2.3	.1	.3
CHEMICALS AND ALLIED PRODUCTS	1.6	1.6	1.3	1.2	.1	.2	2.0	1.6	.7	.9	.8	*
PLASTICS, SYNTHETICS, ETC.	.8	.7	.6	.3	*	*	.8	.9	.5	.6	*	*
RUBBER AND MISCELLANEOUS PLASTIC PRODUCTS	3.2	3.8	2.4	3.4	.6	.1	4.1	3.9	1.7	2.4	1.4	.7
LEATHER AND LEATHER PRODUCTS	6.3	6.7	6.1	6.4	*	*	5.7	7.5	4.5	5.6	.1	.2

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